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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS
November 12, AMAZONE, French str., 2,650, Mortemart, Shanghai 5th November, Mails & General—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
November 12, TIME, French str., 1,070, do Gimy, Yokohama 6th Nov., Mails and General—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
November 13, CASSANDRA, Grec str., 928, H. Langor, Saigon 6th Nov., Rice and Salt—W. PUSTAY & Co.
November 12, GLAUCUS, British str., 1,647, Jackson, Amoy 11th November, Tea—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.
November 12, PENINS, British steamer, 651, Cain, Saigon 6th November, Salt—MELCHIOR & Co.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE
NOVEMBER 12TH.
Golden Horn, British steamer, for Shanghai.
Choclo, British bark, for Melbourne.
Palatine, British bark, for Bangkok.
Emeralda, British steamer, for Manila.
India, Norwegian bark, for Looi.
Funchal, Portuguese bark, for Saigon.
Starlight, Samoan brig, for Bangkok.
Groen Van Prinsen, Dutch steamer, for Sunda.
Criterion, American ship, for Manila.
Alva, Portuguese ship, for Melbourne.
Haitibong, British steamer, for Swatow, &c.
Angustura, German bark, for Saigon.

DEPARTURES.
November 11, DIONE, British steamer, for Shanghai.
November 12, CROCOLA, British bark, for Sydney.
November 12, GRASMERE, British bark, for New York.
November 12, GOLDEN HORN, Brit. str., for Shanghai.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.
Per Amazon, str., from Shanghai.
Per Alva, str., from Manila.
Per Angustura, str., and Mrs. Ed. Sharp, Captain Y. L. Colson, Ginge Height, Mass.; J. Hurd, Newfield; C. P. Chafe, Ullman and servants, and Honeymoon, and 5 Chinese. For Saigon—Mr. E. G. Gageford, For Marcella—Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Crombie and 3 children, Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Crombie and 3 children, Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Turner and 4 children, Miss Anna, Fitch, Mrs. Moore, Sonnabend, J. Malcolm, A. Ross, W. G. Cawson, Nicoll, P. W., Misses Ching-chang, and 2 Chinese, and 2 Chinese, and servants.
For Tiber, str., from Yokohama.—
For Hongkong—Misses Murray, James, Cox and servant, Beckham, do Weckerlin, and Abram.—For Fort Said—Mrs. Cheverie, For Marcella—Misses Ferrier, Misses Bagnoli, Givetta, Mosetti, Oldoni, Eaton, Gauvin, and Mourier. For Graeme, str., from Amoy.—Mr. and Mrs. Leoni, and 123 Calves. For Concordia, str., from Saigon—35 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per Choclo, str., for Melbourne.
Captain Robertson.
TO DEPART.
Per Palatine, str., for Bangkok—
20 Chinese.
Per Golden Horn, str., for Manila—
176 Chinese.
Per Funchal, str., for Saigon—
6 Chinese.
Per Starlight, str., for Bangkok—
20 Chinese.
Per India, str., for Melboune—
3 Chinese.
Per Angustura, str., for Swatow, &c.—
2 Chinese.
Per Alva, str., for Saigon—
20 Chinese.

REPORTS.

The French steamship *Azurane* reports left Shanghai on 8th November, and had fresh N.E. winds and fine weather.

The British steamship *Glauco* reports left Amoy on 11th November, and had fresh breeze and moderate, fine weather throughout.

The French steamship *Tivore* reports left Yokohama on 8th November, and had fine weather and strong N.E. monsoon in the coast of Formosa.

The British steamship *Feudo* reports left Saigon on 6th November, and had light winds and calms. *Falmar*, from whence to port strong, monsoon, and high seas. In port the steamship *Mahoreh* and Russian ship *Yalo*.

The German steamship *Camerena* reports left Saigon on 8th November, and had moderate monsoon in the first part of the passage; from thence to port strong N.E. monsoon. In Saigon, steamship *Mahoreh* and *Feudo*. The latter left shortly after the *Camerena*.

SWATOW SHIPPING.

NOVEMBER 12.—
1. Ningpo, British steamer, from Hongkong.
2. Nama, British steamer from Coast Port.
3. Douglas, British steamer from Hongkong.
4. Nama, British steamer from Hongkong.
5. Hammonia, German bark, from Chelco.
6. B. F. Watson, Amer. str., from Shanghai.
7. Yeso, British steamer, from Coast Port.
8. Euston, Brit. bark, from Newchwang.
9. Oceanus, German bark, from Hongkong.
10. China, British steamer, from Hongkong.
11. China, British steamer, from Chelco.

NOVEMBER 13.—DEPARTURES.

1. Yeso, British steamer, for Coast Port.
2. Tung-tung, Chinese gundam, for Formosa.
3. Nama, British steamer, for Hongkong.
4. Funchal, British bark, for Newchwang.
5. Oceanus, German bark, from Hongkong.
6. Nama, British steamer, from Hongkong.

SHANGHAI SHIPPING.

OCTOBER 31.—
1. Hsi-tung, Chinese steamer, from Tientsin.
2. Pung-chu, Chinese str., from Tientsin.
3. Nama, British steamer, from Coast Port.
4. Douglas, British steamer from Hongkong.
5. Nama, British steamer from Hongkong.
6. Hammonia, German bark, from Chelco.

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2. Tung-tung, Chinese gundam, for Formosa.
3. Nama, British steamer, for Hongkong.
4. Funchal, British bark, for Newchwang.
5. Oceanus, German bark, from Hongkong.
6. Nama, British steamer, from Hongkong.

NOVEMBER 2.—DEPARTURES.

1. Hsi-tung, Chinese steamer, for Tientsin.
2. Pung-chu, Chinese str., for Tientsin.
3. Nama, British steamer, for Nagasaki.
4. Douglas, British steamer, for Tientsin.
5. Nama, British steamer, for Tientsin.
6. Tung-tung, Chinese steamer, for Tientsin.

NOVEMBER 3.—DEPARTURES.

1. Douglas, British bark, for Nagasaki.
2. Nama, British steamer, for Tientsin.
3. Tung-tung, Chinese steamer, for Tientsin.
4. Funchal, British steamer, for Tientsin.
5. Hammonia, British steamer, for London.
6. Edward Barrow, British bark, for Callo.
6. Haining, British steamer, for Tientsin.

AUCTION SALES TO-DAY.

1. M. GUEDES, JUN.
A. 27.
Household Furniture, &c.

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.
I HAVE This day admitted Mr. WILLIAM LEEGE as a PARTNER in my Business, which will henceforth be conducted under the Style of "HUGHES and LEEGE".
W. KERFUG HUGHES
Hongkong, 1st November, 1877. [1m162]

NOTICE.
THE Business of a HATTER, hitherto conducted in my name, will henceforth be carried on under the Style of "COHEN and HEATON". Mr. ALEXANDER MACLEAREN HEATON having this Day become a PARTNER thereto.
CHAS. C. COHEN.
Hongkong, 1st November, 1877. [1m162]

NOTICE.
M. JAMES AXTON MANN, authorized to sign our Firm by procuratum, to GEFF & CO.
Canton, 1st November, 1877. [1m162]

NOTICE.
THE GROUND FLOOR of No. 35, QUEEN'S ROAD, with Godown underneath, Com-
mon and Servants' Offices. Also additional Godown accommodation if required. Immediate Possession.
Apply to
D. BLACKHEAD & CO.
Hongkong, 4th October, 1877. [1m162]

NOTICE.
FROM This Day, Edward SHEPPARD and Mr. M. W. GREIG are authorized to sign the Name of our Firm in the compilation of HOOCHON, and Mr. F. F. COHEN, G. COHEN and CO.
JULIUS MANNICH.
Takow, Formosa, 1st October, 1877. [1m162]

NOTICE.
M. R. EDWARD BURNEY will conduct the BUSINESS of my Office, during my temporary absence from the Harbour and Queen's Road, Shantung.
R. J. CANNON.

Surveyor to the Office and Lloyd's Register of Shipping.
Hongkong, 13th October, 1877. [1m162]

NOTICE.
I HAVE This day admitted myself at this Port as a GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT.
J. Y. VERNON SHAW.
Hongkong, 1st November, 1877. [1m162]

NOTICE.
M. R. CHARLES DAVID BOTTONIYI was admitted a PARTNER in our Firm on the 1st July, 1877.
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.
Hongkong, 22nd September, 1877. [1m162]

NOTICE.
I HAVE This day admitted myself at this Port as a GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT.
J. Y. VERNON SHAW.
Hongkong, 1st November, 1877. [1m162]

NOTICE.
THE COMMODIOUS HOUSE, No. 3, in POTTERY STREET, with Out-houses and Garden attached; Gas and Water laid on.
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.
Hongkong, 3rd July, 1877. [1m162]

NOTICE.
THE DWELLING HOUSE & OFFICES, No. 1, D'AGUILAR STREET, Shantung, in the occupation of Messrs. DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.
STOCK CO. LTD.
Hongkong, 10th July, 1877. [1m162]

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TO BE LET.

TO LET
A FIRST CLASS GRANITE GODOWN
in the Praya Wan-hoi.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1877. [1m162]

TO LET
A HOUSE, No. 10, ALDANY ROAD, lately occupied by the Rev. E. H. KIDD.
"BISBEE'S VILLA", PORTUGAL. FURNISHED.
Hongkong, 1st November, 1877. [1m162]

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THE CHRONICLE AND DIRECTORY

For 1878.

(With which has been incorporated THE CHINA DIRECTORY.)

The PUBLISHERS request that those Firms who have not yet returned the Printed Forms which have been sent to them to fill up, will be kind enough to do so WITHOUT DELAY. Any Persons who have recently arrived, or to whom Printed Forms have not been forwarded, are desired to send their Names and Addresses as early as possible for insertion.

Daily Press Office, November 12th, 1877.

NOTICE

It is hereby notified that I have placed M. R. CHATTERTON WILCOX, CHIEF OF THE PRINTING AND PUBLISHING BUSINESS, on the staff at the Daily Press Office from this date, and in further notice the Mr. WILCOX has entered into an Agreement with me as LESSOR of that BUSINESS, to commence on the 1st January, 1878.

WORICK JONES MURROW, by his Attorneys

W.M. PUSTAF & Co., Hongkong, 7th November, 1877.

NOTICE

A. S. WATSON AND CO. FAMILY AND DISPENSING CHEMISTS, By Appointment to His Excellency the GOVERNOR and the Royal Engineers the DUKE OF EDINBURGH, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS, Perfumers, PATENT MEDICINE VENDORS, Druggists' SUPPLYERS, and AERATED WATER MAKERS, SHIPS' MEDICINE CHESTS REFITTED, PASSENGER SHIPS SUPPLIED.

NOTICE.—To avoid delay in the execution of Orders it is particularly requested that all business communications be addressed to the Firm, A. S. WATSON and Co., or HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS. Communications on Editorial matters should be addressed to "The Editor," and those on business to "The Manager," and not to individuals by name.

Correspondents are requested to forward their name and address with communications addressed to the Editor, not for publication, but as evidence of good faith.

All letters for publication should be written on one side of the paper only.

MARRIAGE. At St. John's Cathedral, by the Rev. C. Clark, Chaplin of H.M.S. *Victor Emmanuel*, by Special License, Warrant, Prelates, Clergymen, H.M. Naval Yard, on October 20th, 1877, of the Hon. G. Chapman, of Great Queen Street, Chancery Lane, (1877)

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, NOVEMBER 13TH, 1877.

The speech of His Excellency the GOVERNOR at the Council Chamber yesterday was an able and statesmanlike exposition of His policy. It was, like his speech on prison discipline, very lengthy, and contains plenty of food for consideration. We will not enter into any criticism of Mr. HENNESSY's facts and figures, or go at length into his plans for the increase of the revenue, which, even if they do not produce quite such great results as he expects, indicate a warm desire on his part to benefit the Colony. We now wish more especially to record our satisfaction at the fact that those much-needed public works—the new Hospital and Central School—are really to be proceeded with, and the sums necessary for their erection have been voted, though we still have to wait until the usual red-tape forms at home have been gone through. The GOVERNOR also announced that it was intended to make alterations in the Gaol to permit of the separate system being carried out. That the separate system is an excellent one we were always ready to concede; the question was, and is, in our opinion, merely one of expense. If it can, however, put into effect at a small additional cost for the alterations required, all objections vanish. The question is how many ten thousand dollars will be required. We are also promised a Lunatic Asylum at a cost of five thousand dollars, a very moderate sum— even for the few lunatics there are in the Colony. Mr. HENNESSY likewise promises a large increase in the number of trees planted, his scheme being in the course of a certain number of years to cover the inhabited side of the island with vegetation. This would be a vast improvement, and ought to have been effected by Mr. HENNESSY's predecessors. Many other plans were hinted at by the GOVERNOR for the benefit and improvement of the Colony, to which we shall have occasion hereafter to refer at length. It is gratifying to learn that the revenue is higher than it has ever been before, and we trust that the present property will continue unchanged.

SUPREME COURT.

November 10th.

ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE THE FULL COURT.

THE CHINA CASE.

Samuel Clark, the new of the American ship *Heiron*, who has been committed to Victoria Gaol by the magistrate for detection as a deserter, was brought up on a writ of habeas corpus.

Mr. Francis, instructed by Mr. Durnin, appeared for the defendant.

There had been no formal order of the court, and the Chief Justice said that while the cause was referred to the Chief Justice, by the last telegram, he was said to be fortifying the intention of seeking proper advice under circumstances requiring it.

This was twice within a fortnight that he had to say so. These were persons whose duty it was to give advice, and Captain Durnin was not a man to be expected to make a better return.

The criminal law has been modified, the trial was commenced, and the Chief Justice having to attend the meeting of the Legislative Council, the case was adjourned until Wednesday.

ALTHOUGH there can be no possible doubt that the Russians have recently gained some signal advantages in Armenia, it is now evident that the report circulated by the Morning Post of the capture of Erzroum was premature. The Turks under AHMED MUKKAR and IMAM PACA have been defeated at Dovo Bayon, a place not marked on the maps, and the former has retreated to Erzroum, which town, by the last telegram, he was said to be fortifying with the intention of making a stand there against the Russians. Erzroum, formerly one of the most considerable cities of Asia Minor, and possessing nearly a hundred thousand inhabitants, is still important from its position, though the population has dwindled down to something under twenty thousand. The attack, which occupies an eminence within the city, is now the only fortress, and ANAMUR KALE, probably throwing up earthworks, which will be obstinately defended. The loss of Erzroum would be a severe blow to the Turks, and we may rest assured that it will not be surrendered without a desperate

struggle. At the same time it is obvious that the Turkish position in Armenia is much more critical, and that unless AHMED MUKKAR PASHA receives reinforcements he is likely to be starved out of Erzroum, even if the Russians fail to take the place by assault. It is true that, according to the last telegram received, he has defeated the Russians at a place called Aman and driven them back with heavy loss, but this may prove only a temporary success, the result of a desperate effort on the part of the Turks. The Russians are making superhuman exertions to improve their position, both in Bulgaria and Armenia, and another attack upon Erzroum is imminent. The steps they have taken recently in Bulgaria must have a very decisive effect one way or the other. Either the Turks will lose Erzroum and suffer something like collapse, or the Russians will sustain a most disastrous defeat by which their communications will be cut off, and their armies left at the mercy of the Turks. Erzroum has, as far, been the chief centre of the fighting and it threatens to become the Sedan of the present war, though with deserting from the ship.

Robert Clark and Joseph Sullivan, seaman of the American ship *Memora*, were charged with deserting from their ship. Ordered to be sent on board.

THE "HELICON".

Charles Schultz, seaman on the American ship *Heiron*, was charged by Police constable 37 with deserting from the *Heiron*.

Mr. May added the prisoner who did not go on board, and where he got the cut which he had on his nose.

Mr. May said the prisoner was a seaman, and had been born in Ireland. They knocked him down, and left him lying in the street, where a constable picked him up. He had been before the American Consul.

Police constable 37 said the prisoner had been before the magistrate before, and sent on board. Prisoner said he had been knocked and kicked by the mate. Most abusive language had been used by him.

Mr. May said he had no justification for deserting. He must go on board with the constable. If he came there again he would want him to go at the will of the captain.

Prisoner.—I am not going aboard that ship. I would rather die on shore than go on board again.

Prisoner was then removed.

Low Awa was charged by Low Atuk with stealing a sampan. The charge was proved, and the prisoner was sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment with hard labour.

AN OLD OFFENDER.

Low Awa was brought up, on remand, charged by Inspector Cameron with stealing a fowl.

Two previous convictions were proved against the prisoner. Fined 25s in default, three months' imprisonment, with hard labour.

BEFORE THE JUDGE.

Low Awa, charged by Inspector Cameron with stealing a sampan from the ship *Heiron* for this part on Sunday morning.

The *Heiron* is a new vessel, and is now on her first voyage. The Ocean Steamship Company have also added another new steamship to their fleet, the *Oracles*, which vessel will follow the *Heiron*.

The usual fortnightly entertainment was given at the Temperance Hall last evening, before a large and appreciative audience. The chair was occupied by the Rev. J. Henderson. Some capital songs were sung, and several were encored, a duet, sung by two little boys, was rather too long, and the entertainment was not concluded until half-past ten.

The band of Her Majesty's 23rd Regiment will perform the following programme when overtaking the 23rd instant.

Overture....."Zampa".....Herald. "Norma".....Bellini. "Value"....."International".....Gung. "Prayer"....."Mediterranean".....Rosina. "March"....."Aida"....."Cecilia"....."Galop"....."Unholy".....Herald. "God save the Queen".....P. Hunter, Conductor.

A curious circumstance, arising no doubt of the late high north-east winds, is (says the Shanghai morning contemporary) reported by the British ship *Hawkebury*. While on her passage to Shanghai, from Sydney, she fell in with large numbers of land birds, when about half-way across the ocean, from the Saddle Islands and some two hundred miles from the mainland. Among them were quail, pigeons, hawks, and many small birds, principally those commonly known as water-warblers, seventeen of which were caught on the quarter-deck of the vessel one nightfall after dark. A sufficient number of specimens were preserved, and the birds were entirely exhausted, so much so that they seldom attempted to escape; while others, failing to get on board, were carried by the wind against the ship's side and fell into the water.

The application from Mr. Sykes, of the London law, for a license for that, again came before the Hon. C. May and Mr. H. E. Wedderburn yesterday morning. The applicant said he had been set for forty years, and now wanted to retire from it. There was a woman named Mrs. Sam Ashling living in the house, but she occupied the upper floor, and it was quite distinct from the rest of the premises. She would never be in the house, but would be found in the rear for £750, of which sum he had paid £350 down, and was to pay the rest in monthly instalments.

He produced the agreement with her.—Mr. May said he could not grant the license while the woman lived in the house. The applicant had let her go to leave, or failing that to find another house. If he found a suitable place, he (Mr. May) was sure the magistrate would grant him a license. Mr. Sykes, was, we understand, of the local law now, and from H.M.S. *Esopus*, 1841, to first fix the British flag in Hongkong.

An inquest was held at the Government Civil Hospital yesterday afternoon before Mr. Edward C. Fiddle, G. Harting, and E. Seapries, on the body of Tain Apo, who was a prisoner on remand.—Inspector Cameron said the deceased was sent to the hospital by him on the 13th September. Deceased was then suffering from a gun-shot wound in the right thigh. A burgher had been committed in the village of Ming-shan, and it was quite distinct from the rest of the premises. She would never be in the house, but would be found in the rear for £750, of which sum he had paid £350 down, and was to pay the rest in monthly instalments.

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